

In the Specification

Substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph extending from line 21, page 11 to line 3 on page 12:

Now, a description is given of a hydraulic oil filtration apparatus according to the present invention, which apparatus is incorporated in the above described work vehicle 1. As shown in FIG. 2 and FIG. 3, the hydraulic oil filtration apparatus 40 comprises the travelling gears 5 with the drive motors MR and ML, the swivel device 14 with the swivel motor MT, and the power-shovel unit 20 with the boom cylinder 22, the arm cylinder 24 and the bucket cylinder 26 as shown in FIG. 1. Hereinafter, the travel motors MR and ML, the swivel motor MT, the boom cylinder 22, the arm cylinder 24 and the bucket cylinder 26 are all together referred to as "hydraulic actuator A".

Substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph extending from line 8, page 15 to line 9 on page 16:

The common head 75 is a unified component comprising the above mentioned drain head portion 76 and return head portion 67. Referring to FIG. 4A for details, the drain head portion 76 comprises an engaging portion 77, a drain port 78, a first connection passage 80, a second connection passage 81 and a third connection passage 82. The engaging portion 77 extends downward in a tubular form and engages removably the opening 72 of the drain casing 71, and the drain port 78 is positioned above the engaging portion 77, extending horizontally outward, to be connected to the drain oil passage 53 shown in FIG. 2. The first connection passage 80 connects a through-hole (not shown) provided through the drain port 78 to a clearance 79 between the outside of the drain filter element 73 and the inner face of the drain casing 71 when the opening 72 of the drain filter 70 is fixed in the engaging

portion 77. The second connection passage 81 extends vertically in the engaging portion 77 to connect to the inner space of the drain filter element 73 to lead upward the oil that has passed through the drain filter element 73 from the outside to the inside thereof. The third connection passage 82 extends from the upper end of the second connection passage 81 horizontally to the return head portion 67. In addition, the drain head portion 76 is equipped with a drain relief valve 83, which functions to prevent the pressure of the first connection passage 80 from exceeding a predetermined pressure when the drain filter element 73 is clogged. The drain relief valve 83 is positioned between the first connection passage 80 and the third connection passage 82 and blocks the fluid communication through the first connection passage 80 and the third connection passage 82 while the pressure of the first connection passage 80 is below the predetermined pressure but opens the fluid communication when the pressure of the first connection passage 80 exceeds the predetermined pressure.